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Citations Affected: IC 15-1.5-10.5-3.

Synopsis: Center for agricultural science and heritage. Changes the center for agricultural science and heritage to a corporate body separate from the state. Specifies that its assets, appropriations, fund balances, and liabilities are not affected by the conversion, and that the members of its board of trustees remain trustees.

Effective: July 1, 2004.



A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning agriculture and animals.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 15-1.5-10.5-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 3. (a) The center for agricultural science and heritage (the barn) is established.

(b) **The barn:**

(1) is a body corporate and politic separate from the state;

(2) is not a state agency; and

(3) performs essential governmental functions.

(c) The following are the purposes for which the barn is established:

(1) To educate the public concerning the past, present, and future of American agriculture and rural life.

(2) To educate youth and the general public about American agriculture and food systems.

(3) To provide educational programming for youth that complements school curricula, both onsite and in the classroom.

(4) To create a synergy between Indiana's institutions of education and agriculture related industries.

(5) To generate economic vitality, convention activity, and tourism activity for Indiana.

(6) To become a center for agricultural business and thinking, a clearinghouse of agricultural information, a resource center for educators and the public, and a repository for agricultural artifacts and history.

(7) To create a central, prominent partner with whom agricultural organizations can launch, collaborate on, and coordinate programs.

(8) To position Indiana as the recognized agricultural center of the nation.

SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004] (a) **The center for agricultural science and heritage established by IC 15-1.5-10.5-3, a body corporate and politic under IC 15-1.5-10.5-3, as amended by this act, is a continuation of the center for agricultural science and heritage as it existed before July 1, 2004.**

(b) **The assets, appropriations, fund balances, and liabilities of the center for agricultural science and heritage are not affected by the conversion of the center for agricultural science and heritage**



1 into an independent body corporate and politic under
2 IC 15-1.5-10.5-3, as amended by this act.

3 (c) The individuals serving as members of the board of trustees
4 of the center for agricultural science and heritage on June 30, 2004,
5 remain members of the board of trustees notwithstanding the
6 amendment of IC 15-1.5-10.5-3 by this act.

7 (d) This SECTION expires July 1, 2005.

